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NEWS RELEASE – OCT. 17, 2016 – Erik Sargent and Landon Wilcox are the two recipients of the 2016 Union Wireless Scholarships awarded to Utah State University Engineering students. Erik and Landon were honored at a recognition luncheon hosted by Union Wireless in Logan, Utah on Thursday, October 13, 2016. In attendance at the luncheon were Erik Sargent (scholarship recipient), Landon Wilcox (scholarship recipient), Shelly Wardell (Sr. Staff Assistant to the Dean of Engineering), Suzanne Sumison (USU Career Coach for the College of Engineering), Sophie Bassett (USU Employee Relations Specialist), Autumn Williams (Recruiter for Union Wireless), Amber Kerr (Applications Supervisor for Union Wireless), Mike Ostrander (Network Operations Manager for Union Wireless) and Frank Draney (Human Resources Director for Union Wireless).





Erik, a junior majoring in Computer Engineering, plans to graduate in 2017 and pursue a career in software development and circuit design. He is the son of Steve and Linda Sargent of Logan, Utah and is the oldest of 2 children. Erik enjoys iOS development, circuit design, video games, cooking and outdoor activities. When asked about being a recipient of the Union Wireless Scholarship Erik said, "I am honored for the support and recognition of Union Wireless. Their efforts to support the education of Utah State engineering students is greatly appreciated."

Landon, who is also a junior studying computer engineering, plans to graduate in the fall of 2017. Landon is the son of Lamont and Heidi Wilcox of Farmington, Utah and is the eighth of nine children. His hobbies include playing board, card or video games and reading. When asked about being a recipient of the Union Wireless Scholarship Landon said, "I'm overwhelmed by the generosity of Union Wireless. My sincere appreciation goes to those who made this scholarship possible."

According to Frank Draney, Director of Human Resources for Union Wireless, "The scholarship program was set up to support students in local communities who are interested in pursuing an education in a technical field in the Rocky Mountain region. In addition to scholarships, Utah State students have worked summer internships and have accepted full-time positions at Union Wireless. We feel these initiatives support students in their pursuit of academic and professional excellence as well as enhance the business and educational partnership between our company and the university."

Jagath Kaluarachchi, Interim Dean of the College of Engineering, stated "We appreciate Union Wireless for the scholarships which they give our students in the College of Engineering. By presenting these scholarships they acknowledge the fact that our students are receiving the education and knowledge which make them excellent employees. We are very grateful for this support."

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